

# Secret Circus by Chris Cherry Delights Crowd

by Rebecca Winner

The 2015 Greenbelt Youth Musical takes on a theme that young people have always struggled with: when you're different, how do you find your place in the world? *Secret Circus*, written and directed by Christopher Cherry, explores the quest to discover and be one's true self in a dazzling spectacle of romance, wonder and adventure.

The story begins in the present with Anya (Allison Lehman) consoling her bullied granddaughter (Elta Goldstein) by recounting her own struggles as a disabled person in a long-ago Europe threatened by the Paper Doll Presidium, a ruthless organization determined to eradicate differences they see as defective.

Fleeing the Paper Doll Police, Anya is taken in by the Circus Magnifique, where she encounters a tremendously diverse community. The circus is full of people she longs to be like, such as tightrope walker Marco (Jack Brittan-Powell), and those she

dreads to be compared to, the prodigies of the circus sideshow.

Anya wishes desperately that she could dance or fly like the acrobats. But Titania the Elephant Princess (Isobel Springer) and Rufus the Seal Boy (Aidan Larkin) constantly remind Anya of what she dislikes about herself and she spurns their friendship.

In her life at the circus, Anya struggles with physical limitations caused by her crooked spine and with preconceptions caused by her prejudices. She is helped by the friendship and advice of the circus' fortune-teller, crafty but kind-hearted Madame Zara (Kristen Beauchamp), and by Marco's cheerful, sensible sister Musette (Megan Winner). When the circus is threatened by Colonel Maximoff of the Paper Doll Police (Scott Candey), Anya finds that the crookedness she despises might actually be her greatest asset.

## Story's Honesty

Some of the power of the story comes from its honesty;

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PHOTO BY JON GARDNER

Circus performers Back row: Elizabeth Gardner, Sophie Bernheisel, Eva McNabb, Jacqui Zecher. Front row: Jake Transgrud, Kristen Beauchamp, Megan Winner, Aden Cornett, Jack Brittan-Powell, David Gardner, Maeve Ballantine.

# Hearing Loss Is a Growing Concern

by Sharadha Kalyanam

When Greenbelt resident Catherine Callaghan walked into the Community Center on Friday, February 27, she was seeking answers to questions on her mind after years of living with people with hearing loss.

"My grandfather was hard of hearing, my mother is hard of hearing, my brother is hard of hearing and that doesn't mean that they were deaf. When my mother, near the end of her life lost her eyesight, her hearing came back. I will never know what that was about," Callaghan said.

She had just attended a talk on hearing aids and how to manage hearing loss organized by the Hearing Professionals – Doctors of Audiology, a personalized hearing care and balance center. The talk, which had been

delivered by Dr. Julia Vadakkumpadan, audiologist, taught Callaghan a bunch of new things. "I was very interested just because I look at the relationships that I have had with people that were deaf," she said. "I was able to participate because it is my family experience. My mother did; she was brilliant when she learned how to lip read."

Vadakkumpadan, who works at the Hearing Professionals office in Laurel, said the issue of hearing loss is now gaining significance because hearing loss is being connected with other disease processes like diabetes, high blood pressure and memory problems.

## Memory Loss

Vadakkumpadan said that the connection of hearing loss to memory loss was revealed from

recent research studies and that dementia is now a huge public health concern. "They are projecting that by the year 2050, about one of every 85 people will have some sort of dementia or memory loss," she said. "So if we can at least prevent the onset of that in any way then that's great and paying attention to overall health, including hearing health, ties in with that." She said that, according to studies, one third of the people who had hearing loss had memory problems. People with hearing loss get more easily frustrated in

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## What Goes On

**Saturday, March 7**  
**2 p.m. and 7 p.m.,** Secret Circus Youth Musical, Community Center  
**Sunday, March 8**  
**10 a.m. to 1 p.m.,** Garden Workday, Schrom Hills Park (see city ad on page 5)  
**Monday, March 9**  
**8 p.m.,** City Council Meeting, ACE Educator Awards, Municipal Building. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and streaming at greenbeltnmd.gov/municipaltv  
**Wednesday, March 11**  
**7:30 p.m.,** Advisory Planning Board Meeting, Community Center



PHOTO BY SHARADHA KALYANAM

Dr. Julia Vadakkumpadan talks about management of hearing loss at the Community Center on February 27.

## Obituary

# Pioneer GVFD&RS Chief W. "Vince" Dutton Dies

Walter Vincent Dutton, past chief and president of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department & Rescue Squad Inc. (GVFD&RS), died February 11, 2015. He was 94 years old and a resident of Charlotte Hall Veteran's Home in Charlotte Hall, Md.

On January 19, 1955, the Greenbelt Rescue Squad and the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department merged. Among a group of very special men who inspired citizens to support their community was a young "Vince" Dutton who took the pledge to help forge the fire service in Greenbelt and was sworn in as a charter member of the department. His leadership and caring for his community helped strengthen the department's mission.

His commitment to the Greenbelt community started when he and Mrs. Dutton, Cleo, his bride for 74 years, moved to Greenbelt.

Mr. Dutton became a charter member of the department in 1955. He served as chief from 1957 to 1960 and again from 1964 to 1965. He served as president from 1961 to 1962. In 1963, Mr. Dutton was named GVFD&RS Firefighter of the Year. He held other offices and trustee positions in the department throughout his tenure as an active member. He was also a delegate to state and county associations, where he was named president of the Prince George's County Volunteer Fire & Rescue Association from 1966 to 1967. He also served on the board of directors

for the county.

In March 1970 Mr. Dutton was bestowed life membership in the department.

While president in 1961, Mr. Dutton oversaw the relocation of the department to its current firehouse location on Crescent Road. On July 4, 1961, there was a great community celebration with a parade, carnival and fireworks announcing its new home.

Mr. Dutton was a career employee of the U.S. Postal Service. He retired with over 37 years service from the Riverdale Distribution Center as a safety officer.

Upon retirement, he and his wife moved to Palmetto, Fla. When Cleo died more than a year ago Mr. Dutton returned to Maryland. Mr. Dutton is survived by three children, Toni Marie Hunt, Richard J. Dutton (Sandi) and Michael W. Dutton (Donna), and by many grandchildren.

Another legacy of Mr. Dutton is the service of his children to the volunteer fire department. Son Richard also has served as chief. Grandson John Vincent Dutton continues to actively serve and is now a life member of the department.

A celebration of his life will be held at the Greenbelt Fire Station on Sunday, March 8, beginning at 11 a.m. Funeral services will be held at Cheltenham Veteran's Cemetery on Monday, March 9 at 11 a.m. and will include American Legion services.



# Letters to the Editor

## Co-op Not Prepared For Passover

The Greenbelt Co-op prides itself on being a community-based store, focused on being responsive to its member base. It is, therefore, disconcerting that the Co-op is blatantly disregarding the needs of its Jewish neighbors. In December, I was floored by the complete absence of Chanukah foodstuffs and related items. I brought this to the attention of General Manager Bob Davis who said he would “do better.”

Now it’s time to prepare for Passover and, once again, the place to go that has a wide array of choices is not our Co-op but the Beltway Plaza Giant. Serving the needs and wants of those who celebrate Christmas and Easter is to be commended. Ignoring the needs and wants of others is not.

Aileen Kroll

## To the Editor

Page 2 of last week’s issue of the News Review included a photo of a carriage drawn by two horses submerged in the Baltimore Harbor. I was the photographer and the event was the Baltimore Kinetic Sculpture Race. The first Saturday of each May, artist-engineers race human-powered sculptures 13 miles in Baltimore, through mud and sand obstacles, and into the harbor at Canton. The photo shows the 2009 entry, Happily Never After. Its spectacular foam horses are now in the youth musical Secret Circus, showing this weekend at the Community Center.

You can read more about the Kinetic Sculpture Race online at KineticBaltimore.com and more about Secret Circus at GreenbeltMD.gov.

Tom Jones

## Not a Violation

As always, thank you to the News Review for its coverage of Greenbelt and particularly City Council. However, I would like to make a small clarification to the story last week about the award of the operations contract for the theater. Although I did ask that language be added to the contract in relation to first - or second-run films, it was not because I was concerned that first

and second run films would not be shown. It was to ensure that when these films are interrupted for the purpose of theme showings and festivals such as the Utopia Film Festival, that this is not considered a violation of the contract. I have every confidence that the Friends of the Greenbelt Theater will operate the theater in a manner that will make Greenbelt proud.

Leta Mach

## Environmental Bills Before Legislation

Thank you for the wonderful article in the February 26 News Review, summarizing the Beyond Coal event at the Roosevelt Democratic Club. The event included an excellent video and several excellent speakers.

I would like to add a few additional points that were discussed that day.

In addition to the health problems and water pollution from the mining of coal, the burning of coal also emits carbon dioxide, worsening the impact of climate change. Organizations such as the Sierra Club advocate against “extractive technologies” that result in the burning of fossil fuels, including coal, fracked gas and tar sands oil.

There are currently four major bills in the Maryland General Assembly addressing the use of energy:

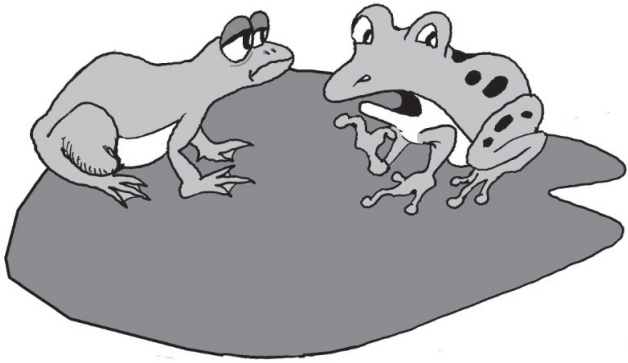
HB1042 [Nitrogen Oxide Emissions – Pollution and Combustion Control Technologies] – to reinstate the MDE regulations limiting smog from coal-fired power plants. Nitrous oxide emitted from the plants causes smog, which is a major health hazard causing problems, such as asthma.

SB409/HB449 [Protect our Health and Communities Act] – Moratorium on fracking for eight years, while longitudinal studies of the effects of fracking are conducted.

HB0377/SB0373 [Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard – Revisions (Maryland Clean Energy Advancement Act of 2015)] – to increase the amount of renewable energy required by each utility, up to 25 percent by 2020 and 40 percent by 2025.

SB0481/HB1087 [Electricity – Community Solar Energy Generating System Program] – allowing the development of small community solar projects where subscribers would have their share of electricity generated show up as a credit on their

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SORRY, BUT I DON'T THINK THEY NAMED GREENBELT AFTER US.

PETER REPPART

## Bird Walk at Patuxent Research Refuge

Look for birds on Sunday, March 15 from 8:15 to 10:15 a.m. at the North Tract of the Patuxent Research Refuge. All ages can search for birds in several refuge habitats on this guided hike. Field guides and binoculars are recommended.

Public programs at the refuge are free, although advance registration is required; call 301-497-5887. The North Tract is located on Route 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Route 32. For details visit fws.gov/refuge/Patuxent.

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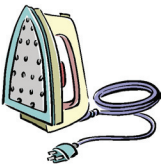
Be sure to notify the News Review if you are not getting your paper.

Each homeowners association is responsible for how the paper is delivered – by maintenance or other staff or by a volunteer carrier. If it’s a volunteer, the HOA selects the person to deliver the paper.

The News Review pays a nominal amount for delivery and provides the free newspapers. Be sure to let us know if there are problems. Call Mary Lou Williamson – 301-938-5588.

## This week's Swifty . . .

“So you flattened him with it because he complained about the wrinkles in his shirts,” the detective noted i \_ \_ \_ \_ ally.



Last Week's Swifty: "Since we got the big screen TV, we never sit and hold hands,"she observed REMOTELY.

**Greenbelt Elementary School PTA**  
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66 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD

8am to 1pm - Yard Sale

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# Community Events

## Upcoming Events At the New Deal

The CHEARS (Chesapeake Education, Arts and Research Society) Green Man Festival committee will be meeting at 4 p.m. Sunday, March 8 in the front room of the New Deal Café.

Thursday, March 5, Mid-Day Melodies with Amy C Kraft from 12 to 2 p.m. SAW Open Mic Night hosted by Paige Powell from 7 to 10 p.m.

Friday, March 6, John Guernsey plays American piano standards from 6:30 to 8 p.m. The Oxymorons bring soaring vocals, a fun-filled 8-piece band and award winning original music to the Café from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 7, the TV John Variety Show from 11 a.m. until 12 p.m. Bruce Kritt plays classical guitar from 4 to 6 p.m., Guernsey plays blues and jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Five-piece rock ensemble, Fractal Cat, will play from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.

The Deaf Brunch is on Sunday, March 8 from 10:30 a.m. until noon. The Not2Cool Jazz Trio will play from 11:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. In the evening, Fez Tones Hafla bring Middle Eastern music and belly dance to the Café from 6 to 8 p.m.

Tuesday, March 10, Tower Green perform Renaissance and British folk rock music from 7 to 9 p.m.

Wednesday, March 11, Mike Hamilton & Friends offer up original folk, country and rock music from 7 to 9 p.m.

## Golden Age Club

By Bunny Fitzgerald  
The Golden Age Club is looking forward to spring and the Anniversary Luncheon on April 22 at the Holiday Inn in College Park. Bob Luddy, Civil War historian, will speak on Women Soldiers in the Civil War, a much overlooked subject.

The club meets every Wednesday at the Community Center. We welcome guests and new members. Come and take part in luncheons, bingo, trips and interesting programs.

Our condolences to Frank Corson on the death of his wife Ellen and sympathy to the family and friends.

Remember, a cool mind and a kind heart make a wonderful combination.

## Computer Club To Meet March 12

The Greenbelt Computer Club will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, March 12 at the Community Center, Room 112 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend discussions of computers and electronic devices.



## Mini-Makers Come To MakerSpace

MakerSpace volunteers are excited to host the second annual Greenbelt Mini Maker Faire on April 18. Registration for makers to exhibit their projects is now open to individuals, both kids and adults, schools, groups and businesses. For more information, visit [faire.make125.org](http://faire.make125.org) or stop by the MakerSpace.

If you are new to the maker movement, join us this Saturday, March 7, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., to see how easy it is to be creative with minimal investment in tools and materials. The first of our DIY series of workshops features a fun project of building cardboard forts. Please bring whatever cardboard you may have, either flat or still in box form, corrugated or chipboard. The forts we build will be of all sizes, from table-top to room size if you like!

For makers wanting to work with more advanced technology, our Taste of Tech series on Wednesday, March 11, 6:15 to 7:45 p.m., will feature an introduction to CAD, computer aided design, to create 3D designs that can be imported to virtual worlds like Minecraft or printed on our 3D printer.

For pure fun, join the MakerSpace crowd on Saturday, March 14, 1 to 4 p.m., for Pi Day, a community celebration of the world famous mathematical constant. Activities will include sneaky Pi Detectors, Pi Necklaces, Pi Discovery, PiKu!, Pi(e) eating and Pi Recitations. We will even have our circus friends host a unicycle rally – what better way to show off circles in motion?

For more information about programs and events at the MakerSpace, please check out the new website, [make125.org](http://make125.org). See ad on page 6.

– George Boyce

## At the Library

Saturday, March 7, 2 p.m. Starting a Vegetable Garden. Eat healthier and enjoy fresh vegetables from your own sustainable garden. Learn the basics of vegetable gardening. Presented by the Prince George’s County Master Gardeners.

### Scavenger Hunt

Monday, March 9 through Saturday, March 14. Join us in celebrating Teen Tech Week with a digital photo scavenger hunt. Accepting teams of 2 to 4, ages 12 to 19. Rules and sign-up information are available at the information desk, starting March 9.

### Storytimes

Monday, March 9: Chinese/English Preschool Storytime, 7 p.m., for ages 3 to 5, limit 20 people. This bilingual storytime includes children’s stories, songs, rhymes and other activities in Chinese and English.

Wednesday, March 11: Preschool Storytime, 10:15 and 11:15 a.m., for ages 3 to 5, limit 20 people.

Thursday, March 12: Baby Storytime, 10:15 a.m., for ages 12 to 24 months, limit 20 people; Baby Laptime Storytime, 11:15 a.m., for ages birth to 12 months, limit 20 people; Toddler Laptime Storytime, 2:15 p.m., for ages 2 to 3, limit 20 people.

Encourage children to make reading a positive experience at the library’s storytimes. Each program contains a mixture of engaging activities and age-appropriate stories that support early literacy. Stop by the information desk to pick up free tickets available on a first-come, first-served basis on the day of the event.

## MDA Holds Meeting On Invasive Plants

The Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA) Invasive Plant Advisory Committee will meet Tuesday, March 10, from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the University of Maryland Plant Sciences Building, Room 1144, corner of Regents Drive and Field House Drive in College Park. The committee will review completed weed risk assessments and draft regulations developed in accordance with the Invasive Plant Law passed by the Maryland legislature in 2011.

## Senior Ice Cream Social on March 13

The Greenbelt Recreation Department’s Senior Center is hosting its 18th Annual Ice Cream Social for senior citizens on Friday, March 13. This free program will begin at 1 p.m. in the Community Center gym where the Retro-Rockets will provide musical entertainment from the 40s, 50s, 60s, 70s and beyond.

The Retro-Rockets, an oldies/variety/dance band, is all about making and bringing back memories, from poodle skirts, drive-in movies and sock hops to disco and classic rock. The Retro-Rockets provide live music for dancing, sing alongs and just listening.

After the performance, attendees can make ice cream sundaes. The ice cream will be available beginning at 2:15 p.m. in the dining room. All senior citizens are encouraged to attend the event. For details, call the Community Center at 301-397-2208.



**Spring Ahead!**  
Reset your clocks  
forward one hour  
on Sunday at 1 a.m.

## GIVES Quarterly Meeting March 14

The quarterly meeting of GIVES (Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service) will be held on Saturday, March 14 at 10 a.m. at the Community Center. The agenda will include reports on recent services performed by members, as well as a discussion of the election of officers to be held at the annual meeting in June.

The quarterly meeting will also welcome any Greenbelt resident wishing to join this organization, whose goal is neighbors helping neighbors on a totally volunteer basis.

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## WEEK OF MARCH 6

### FRIDAY – SATURDAY

Chappie, R (!)\*  
11, 1:40, 4:20, 7, 9:40  
Unfinished Business, R (!)\*  
11:20, 1:50, 4:15, 7:10, 9:50  
Focus, R (!!)  
11:05, 1:40, 4:50, 7:20, 10  
The Lazarus Effect, PG-13 (!!)  
11:30, 2, 4:50, 7:30, 9:30  
The Duff, PG-13 (!!)  
11, 1:30, 4:30, 7:20, 9:40  
Fifty Shades of Grey, R  
10:35, 1:20, 4:05, 6:45, 9:30  
Kingsman, R  
10:35, 1:20, 4:10, 7, 9:50  
Sponge Bob: Out of the Water, PG  
11:20, 1:50, 4:20, 6:50, 9:15

### SUNDAY – WEDNESDAY

Chappie, R (!)\*  
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Unfinished Business, R (!)\*  
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Focus, R  
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Kingsman, R  
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Sponge Bob: Out of the Water, PG  
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### THURSDAY

Cinderella, PG (!)\*  
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Run All Night, R (!)\*  
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Utopia Film Festival Presents

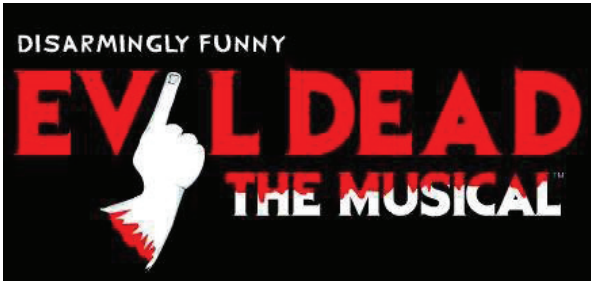
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Beginning at 8 PM

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Choreographed by Rikki Howie Lacewell  
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March 6-28  
Fridays and Saturdays at 8:00pm  
Sundays, March 15 and 22 at 2:00pm  
Ticket prices: \$30 Splatter Zone, \$22 General Admission,  
\$18 Students/Seniors/Military,  
\$14 Youth (12 and under with adult)

**COMING SOON**  
Choking Out the Kudzu - Apr. 10-26 - Directed by Billie Colombaro  
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Tuesday, March 10, 7:30-10PM  
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# Obituaries

## Kerry Mullaney

Kerry Douglas Mullaney died Friday, February 20, 2015. Kerry was the beloved son of Michael J. Mullaney and Sarah Powell Cooper and brother of Timothy H. Mullaney. Born on October 26, 1988, Kerry loved his family and friends, Greenbelt Little League Baseball, skateboarding and listening to music. He graduated from Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Kerry is also survived by his grandmothers, Lorraine Mullaney and Jean M. Doelling, his grandfather Dr. Ralph D. Powell, numerous relatives and countless lifelong friends.

Memorial services will be held on Sunday March 15, 3 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Church. The reception following the service will be held at St. George's Episcopal Church, 7010 Glenn Dale Road, Glenn Dale. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Nick's Place in Beltsville, <http://www.nicksplace.org>.



## Program Examines The War of 1812

A free program entitled The War of 1812: Causes and Outcomes will be offered on Saturday, March 7 from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Bladensburg Waterfront Park. Learn about the War of 1812, its effect on the economy and the nation's sense of unity. The program will be held at the Battle of Bladensburg Visitors Center. Advanced registration is suggested. Call 301-779-0371; TTY 301-699-2544 for more information.

## Technical Job Fair At Fort Meade

On Wednesday, March 18 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. job seekers are invited to a technical job fair hosted by Fort George G. Meade, the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation and the Anne Arundel One Stop Career Center. Meet employers, bring resumes and dress for success.

Individuals not possessing a Department of Defense ID card must enter Fort Meade via Md. Route 175 at the Reece Road gate only.

More information can be found at [www.ftmeademwr.com/events/jobFair/TechJobFair.pdf](http://www.ftmeademwr.com/events/jobFair/TechJobFair.pdf).



### Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS

Sundays 10 A.M.  
Municipal Building

ALL ARE WELCOME.

## Garden Club Will Assign Plots Soon

The Greenbelt Community Garden Club's (GCGC) Annual Plot Assignment Meeting will take place on Wednesday, March 11 at 7 p.m. in the police station conference room. Those who had a plot in previous years and wish to retain it but are unable to attend, contact the garden coordinator. People on the GCGC waiting list are also encouraged to attend. Contact Martha Tomecek at 301-614-0691 with questions.

## Beaverdam Creek Clean-Up March 15

On Sunday, March 15, Mishkan Torah Synagogue is sponsoring what is billed as a Reverse Tashlich from 9 a.m. to noon.

Usually performed on the Jewish New Year, Tashlich refers to the ancient custom of throwing crumbs into a body of water to rid oneself, symbolically, of bad habits. In a modern twist, Mishkan Torah is sponsoring a Reverse Tashlich, to reverse the effects of bad habits by cleaning up Beaverdam Creek, a local stream.

All are welcome to join in the clean-up, which is being co-sponsored by the Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group ([beaverdamcreek.org](http://beaverdamcreek.org)). The event coincides with the Greater Washington Jewish Community's Good Deeds Day 2015 ([shalomdc.org](http://shalomdc.org)).

The clean-up will take place behind Greenbriar Condominiums, 7600 Hanover Parkway. Drive as far as possible through Greenbriar Condominiums parking lot to the end of the units and closest to Route 295. Carpooling is encouraged as parking spaces are limited. Interested persons may meet at Mishkan Torah, 10 Ridge Road, at 8:45 a.m. to carpool.

Participants should wear work gloves, boots or sturdy shoes, long pants and clothes that can get muddy.

For any questions, please email [office@mishkantorah.org](mailto:office@mishkantorah.org). The event is free and open to everyone.

## Artisans Exhibit At Mishkan Torah

Mishkan Torah Synagogue is delighted to announce its very first Artisans of Mishkan Torah Art and Crafts Festival on Sunday, March 8 from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The event is intended to give Mishkan Torah artists, crafters and photographers a place to exhibit and sell their works.

The festival is open to the entire community and is free to attend. The works to be displayed will be original and unique and will showcase talent in a number of areas. There will be a crafts table for youngsters and free refreshment will be served.

Mishkan Torah is located at 10 Ridge Road.

## Hands-On Invasive Plants Activity

Help protect Greenbelt National Park from harmful invasive plants. Join in a hands-on nature preservation activity and learn about native and non-native plants on Saturday, March 7 at 11 a.m. in the Sweetgum Picnic Area.

This program will be held every first Saturday of the month. Come rain or shine and wear appropriate clothing and work gloves and bring lunch or a snack. Student service hours are available.

Snow or other inclement weather could cancel this event.

Greenbelt Park's entrance is located between Kenilworth Avenue and the Baltimore Washington Parkway at 6565 Greenbelt Road.

## Master Cello, Piano Class at UMD

The Gildenhorn Recital Hall of The Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center will be the site of a free Masterclass with Peter Wiley and Anna Polonsky, featuring works for cello and piano by Beethoven on Monday, March 9 at 7 p.m.

## Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church

40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt

Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors  
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Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor

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101 Greenhill Road Greenbelt, MD 20770  
(301) 474-4212 [www.greenbeltbaptist.org](http://www.greenbeltbaptist.org)

## Greenbelt Community Church

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

1 Hillside (at Crescent Road)  
Phone: 301-474-6171 mornings  
[www.greenbeltcommunitychurch.org](http://www.greenbeltcommunitychurch.org)

Sunday Worship  
10:15 a.m.

Rev. Glennyce Grindstaff, Pastor

## Green Ridge House Opens Wait List

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Applicants should be prepared to move within 30 days once a unit is available. Rent is based upon 30 percent of one's income within a maximum gross income of \$37,450 for individuals and \$43,800 for couples. All apartments are one bedroom units. Only applicants who would consider moving within the next six months to one year should apply.

## Big Band Showcase

The Kay Theater of The Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center at the University of Maryland will offer a free Spring Big Band Showcase on Tuesday and Wednesday March 10 and 11 at 7:30 p.m.

## ST. HUGH OF GRENoble CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Mass Schedule:  
Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.  
Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.  
Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe

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Phone: 301-937-3666 [www.pbuuc.org](http://www.pbuuc.org)

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# Letters

utility bill.

Many Greenbelt residents have contacted their state representatives (Paul Pinsky, Tawanna Gaines, Anne Healey and Alonzo Washington) about these bills and the Greenbelt City Council will meet to discuss their opinion on these bills at their next council session.

Attendees also mentioned a number of “positive solutions” as alternative sources of electricity rather than continuing to burn coal. These include solar, wind, geothermal and hydroelectric. Audience members brainstormed current options available to Greenbelt residents. One option is putting solar panels on your home through a lease agreement or purchase. Another option is purchasing 100 percent wind power through an electricity supplier. For example Greenbriar (where the meeting was held) is 100 percent wind powered. Greenbelt municipal buildings are also 100 percent wind powered (as are the Greenbelt Community Church and the New Deal Café). Sara Henry mentioned that residents can also sign up for wind energy through the non-profit Groundswell. Twice a year Groundswell negotiates a lower rate for wind energy through a group purchase. More information will be available later this month.

Solutions are available to all of us now. There is nothing to stop us from a cleaner, healthier future.

*Lore Rosenthal  
Greenbelt Climate  
Action Network*

**Riversdale Hosts Free Schubert Concert**

The Riversdale Chamber Music Society will hold a free concert at the Riversdale House Museum on Sunday, March 8 at 2:30 p.m. Musicians from the University of Maryland will perform Franz Schubert’s Octet in F major. Call 301-864-0420 or TTY 301-699-2544 for more information.

### Holy Cross Thrift Store

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# City Information

### GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL- REGULAR MEETING

Municipal Building, March 9, 2015 – 8:00 p.m.

#### ORGANIZATION

Call to Order  
Roll Call  
Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag  
Consent Agenda – Approval of Staff Recommendations (Items on the Consent Agenda [marked by \*] will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.)  
Approval of Agenda and Additions

#### COMMUNICATIONS

- Presentations  
ACE Educators Awards Ceremony
- Petitions and Requests  
(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules.)
- Minutes of Council Meetings
- Administrative Reports
- \*Committee Reports

#### LEGISLATION

An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 11 “Motor Vehicles and Traffic,” Article II “Operation of Vehicles” and Article III “Stopping, Standing and Parking” of the Greenbelt City Code - 2nd Reading, Adoption

#### OTHER BUSINESS

- Briefing on Studio Movie Grill at Beltway Plaza
- State Legislation
- Council Reports
- \*- Reappointment to Advisory Group

#### MEETINGS

*NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda, subject to change. Regular Council meetings are open to the public, and all interested citizens are invited to attend. If special accommodations are required for any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 no later than 10am on the meeting day. Deaf individuals are advised to use MD RELAY at 711 or e-mail [cmurray@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:cmurray@greenbeltmd.gov) to reach the City Clerk.*

### GREENBELT

**550-A Crescent Road 301-474-6124**  
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**Outlaw** is a 3-year-old white and tabby male who is initially shy with people but comes around with some petting! Outlaw is great around other cats and would love for you to come visit him!



**The Greenbelt Finches:** Recently abandoned in a local pet store’s bathroom, these little Zebra Finches could use a good home. The finches are bright, alert and are fun to watch. Although there are 8 birds total, the group can be split into pairs, if necessary. After what these birds have been through, they need a forever home!

**FIND US ON FACEBOOK!**  
**And at [www.greenbeltmd.gov/animalshelter](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/animalshelter)**

### VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. There are currently vacancies on: Arts Advisory Board, Park and Recreation Advisory Board, and Youth Advisory Committee

**For information call 301-474-8000.**

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### ICE CREAM SOCIAL

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**March 13, 2015**  
**1-3pm**  
**Greenbelt Community Center**  
**15 Crescent Road**  
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### MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK OF March 9-13

Monday, March 9 at 8:00pm, **REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING (ACE EDUCATOR AWARDS)**, Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Live on Comcast 71, Verizon 21, and streaming at [www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv)

Wednesday, March 11 at 7:30pm, **ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD**, at Community Center (Rm 114), 25 Crescent Road. On the agenda: Shuttle Service Proposal Greenbelt Station South Core to Metro Station Platform.

Wednesday 11 at 6pm, **LEGISLATIVE DINNER**, Annapolis.

**All meetings listed are open to the public. This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.**

### DONATION DROP-OFF

American Rescue Workers  
Every second (2nd) and fourth (4th) Saturday  
Next one: Saturday, March 14, from 9am-12 noon  
Parking lot between City Office & Community Ctr.  
**Info: 301-474-8308**

### DON'T MISS THE FINAL PERFORMANCES!

GREENBELT YOUTH MUSICAL 2015!  
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### SECRET CIRCUS

by Chris Cherry  
Greenbelt Community Center  
15 Crescent Road

Saturday, March 7 at 2 pm & 7 pm  
Tickets: \$5 (Call 301-397-2208 for tickets.)  
**TICKETS ON SALE NOW!**

### VOLUNTEER & SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday March 8 from 10am to 1pm, **GARDEN BED PREPARATION & GIS WORKDAY**, Schrom Hills Park. Volunteers are needed to prepare the Schrom Hills Three Sisters Demonstration Garden for spring! Service work will include managing the garden’s compost pile, preparing the garden bed for spring, rebuilding the garden’s entry archway, and identifying Greenbelt’s Memorial Trees and Memorial Benches using GIS. No experience is required, as all training and equipment will be provided by the City of Greenbelt Public Works in partnership with CHEARS.

Saturday, March 14 from 10am to 1pm, **MEMORIAL TREES & MEMORIAL BENCHES GIS WORKDAY**, Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

Service work will include managing the garden’s compost pile, preparing the garden bed for spring, seed starting, and identifying Greenbelt’s Memorial Trees and Memorial Benches using GIS.

*RSVP to Erin Josephitis, Volunteer Maryland Coordinator, for updates and information on more volunteer opportunities at [Erin@CHEARS.org](mailto:Erin@CHEARS.org) or (240) 542-2168.*



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it does not minimize the pain experienced by those who don't neatly conform to societal categories. In one deeply moving scene, crippled Anya is able to experience the feeling of walking without her cane with the help of a safety rope used by the acrobats. Lehman perfectly captures Anya's delight and wonder in the experience and her later terror and disappointment as the magical moment ends.

In another such scene, Rufus the Seal Boy wonders about the future he could have had in If I Had Hands. Larkin's beautiful delivery of the song brings out Rufus' longing, sorrow and resignation. The audience feels the sadness and frustration of these characters who must inhabit a different and more difficult place in the world. It makes their eventual happy ending all the more satisfying.

Despite its serious message, the show is fast-moving and funny. Ezra the Lion Who Has Never Learned To Roar (Charles Fahey) and Malarkey the Circus Dog (Sam Goldstein) provide several of the show's laugh-out-loud moments, ably aided by Vittoria the Lion Tamer (Maeve Ballantine), who never realizes what is going on in her charge's mind. Marco's ongoing, endless flirtations with every available village girl (all played by Elizabeth Voigt) are also played for laughs.

Talented Performers

The cast is full of talented young performers, bringing these multi-dimensional characters to vibrant life. The show's in-

ventive and ambitious staging includes jugglers, tumblers, a stiltwalker, rope spinners and some cleverly deployed puppets, together creating a real circus atmosphere.

The cast also does a great job delivering some supremely hummable tunes. Beauchamp's Madame Zara delighted the audience with her gleefully cynical take on fortune-telling in All You Have to Know. Springer brings swagger to the Elephant Princess' I Don't Believe in Travelling Light.

Secret Circus is a treat for the eyes, with stunning costumes, artwork, puppets and props, the handiwork of local artists who volunteered their time under the direction of Nicole DeWald. Choreography was arranged by Angella Foster, and accompaniment and incidental music is provided by musical director Stefan Brodd. Ian Brown-Gorrell served as assistant director.

Secret Circus will be performed again at the Community Center on Saturday, March 7 at 2 and 7 p.m. Tickets may be purchased in person or by phone (301-397-2208) from the Community Center main office during business hours or, if available, thirty minutes before show time. Greenbelters who have attended previous shows may be surprised by the layout of the seating. Risers ensure good views for all, but it does mean that seating is more limited than in previous years. The February 28 show sold out, so early ticket purchases are encouraged.



Mitchel Noone-Meng, Ema Smith and Ashley Adams demonstrate their circus skills during the show.



PHOTO BY ERIC ZHANG

Charles Fahey is Ezra, the lion who never learned to roar.



PHOTO BY JON GARDNER

Madame Zara outlines her plan for disguising Anya as a circus performer. Left to right: Sophie Bernheisel, Kristen Beauchamp (foreground), Eva McNabb, Jaqueline Zecher, Elizabeth Gardner, Allison Lehman, Megan Winner.



PHOTO BY JON GARDNER

Alyssa Heintzelman visits the secret circus side-show with Ringmaster Aden Cornett.



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# Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, <http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police/index.htm>, link in left frame to "Weekly Report" or [http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police/weekly\\_report.pdf](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police/weekly_report.pdf). Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

### Arrest

February 24, 9:05 a.m., 6000 block Springhill Drive. A 19-year-old nonresident and a 17-year-old resident were arrested and charged with burglary after they were located hiding in a vacant apartment. The adult was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner and the youth was released to a parent pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

### Theft

February 24, 11 a.m., 7601 Hanover Parkway. A school employee reported that on February 10 her unattended cell phone was taken at Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

February 24, 7:30 p.m., 7500 block Greenbelt Road. A wallet was taken at Starbucks.

February 25, 11:20 a.m., 9300 block Edmonston Road. All appliances, including the stove, refrigerator, washer and dryer, were taken by a tenant who vacated a dwelling at Franklin Park Apartments. Investigation is on-going.

February 25, 3 p.m., 7500 block Greenway Center Drive. A laptop was taken from an office suite.

### Vandalism

February 23, 9:12 p.m., 5900 block Breezewood Terrace. The bedroom window of a residence was broken.

### Vehicle Crime

A white 4-door 2008 Kia Optima with Md. tags 2BC7491 was taken from 7700 block Hanover Parkway.

A 1993 Honda Civic reported stolen by Prince George's County police was recovered in the 9100 block Edmonston Road. No arrests were made.

Four tires on each of three vehicles were slashed, two in the 7800 block Hanover Parkway and the other in the 5900 block Cherrywood Lane.

Paint was scratched on a vehicle in the 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace.

### Sobriety Checkpoint Saturday, March 14

On Saturday March 14, the Greenbelt Police Department will be conducting a sobriety checkpoint in the area of Greenbelt Road and Lakecrest Drive from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

The objective of this checkpoint is both to deter motorists from driving under the influence of drugs and alcohol and to arrest those who ignore the dangers of getting behind the wheel while impaired.

For further information, please contact MPO Scott Yankow at 240-542-2114 or [syankow@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:syankow@greenbeltmd.gov).

### Police Assessors Seek Public Comment

The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA) will begin re-evaluating the Greenbelt Police Department's accreditation on Sunday, March 15. Assessors will spend several days examining the department's policies, procedures, management, operations and support services.

Part of this assessment, which is conducted every three years, includes opportunities for departmental employees and members of the public to comment. Three options to comment are available and all comments must address only the department's ability to comply with CALEA standards. A copy of the standards is available from the accreditation manager of the police department located at 550 Crescent Road.

Members of the public can call 240-542-2105 on Tuesday, March 17 from 1 to 3 p.m. They and agency employees can comment at a public information session to be held on Tuesday, March 17 at 6 p.m. in the Municipal Building Council Chambers, 25 Crescent Road. Oral comments are limited to five minutes.

Written comments may be mailed to the CALEA, 13575 Heathcote Boulevard, Suite 320, Gainesville, VA 20155, Attn: Mr. John Gregory, program manager. He may also be reached by calling 703-352-4225.

The Greenbelt Police Department was originally accredited in 2006 and re-accredited in 2009 and 2012. Maintaining this status is an ongoing process and requires constant monitoring and updating of policies and procedures to assure the department meets commission standards. Re-accreditation is a formal recognition of the agency's continued professional excellence.

The CALEA assessment team is composed of law enforcement practitioners from similar but out-of-state agencies. The team reviews written materials, interviews individuals and visits various areas throughout the city where compliance can be observed.

After CALEA assessors complete their review, they report to the full commission, which then determines if the agency is to be granted re-accredited status.

### Tax Return Fraud

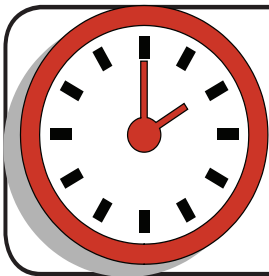
The Greenbelt Police Department is investigating a series of recent tax return frauds in which personal information of residents was obtained by unknown means and fraudulent returns were filed in an attempt to obtain money.

Persons affected are usually not aware of the crime until they attempt to file a return, only to find out that it has already been filed. All possible steps should be taken to protect personal information.

If affected by this crime, contact Greenbelt police at 301-474-7200. Victims may also contact the IRS Identity Protection Specialized Unit at 1-800-908-4490.

### District5 Wind Quintet

The Gildenhorn Recital Hall in the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center at the University of Maryland will host the District5 Wind Quintet in a free concert, on Wednesday, March 11 at 8 p.m.



**Spring Ahead!**  
Reset your clocks forward one hour  
on Sunday at 1 a.m.

### NOTICE TO GHI MEMBERS

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

### GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETINGS

Thursday, March 12, 2015

GHI ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 7:30 PM



#### Key Agenda Items:

- Review Companion Animal Committee Report
- Board's Recommendations to the Membership Re: Heating/Cooling Systems for the Homes Improvement Program
- Questions Re: Components to be Installed During the Homes Improvement Program
- Review Minutes of November 18th Special Membership Meeting
- Requests for Contributions from External Organizations

Regular Board meetings are open to Members  
For more information, visit our website - [www.ghi.coop](http://www.ghi.coop)



To request a sign language interpreter for this meeting, go to <http://www.ghi.coop/content/interpreter-request-form>, or go to the GHI Office (One Hamilton Place) or contact us by phone (301-474-4161) or fax (301-474-4006).

### Green Ridge House Opens Wait List

Green Ridge House, the City of Greenbelt's HUD Section 8-202 apartment building, will open its waiting list from March 9 through March 13, 2015, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Green Ridge House is an independent living apartment building located at 22 Ridge Road. All applicants must apply in person and be 62 years of age or older or be a disabled adult.

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# ERHS Basketball Teams Are County Champions

by Patrick Gleason

While the ultimate goal lies ahead as the state playoffs begin this week, the Eleanor Roosevelt High School girls and boys basketball teams completed exciting tune-ups as they swept the Prince George’s County championship games on February 25, both defeating Largo High School.

The girls were challenged by an inspired Largo squad and came from behind to win 57-53 – their first county game of the year won by fewer than 20 points. Although the Lady Raiders have overwhelmed the majority of their opponents en route to a 20-3 record – their three losses were to highly touted out-of-state opponents – their 4A title defense has faced adversity as their emotional captain and leading rebounder Tolu Omokore suffered a torn ACL in January.

Roosevelt has turned to senior Alannah Baiyina and 6’ 2” sophomore Jaala Henry for post purposes and senior Daijah Davis is an always calming backcourt presence. The scoring load rests upon super-athletic junior Kaila Charles and sharpshooting sophomore Octavia Wilson.

Freshman revelation Aisha McCalla has also stepped up as needed, dropping 27 points against private power Good Counsel in December. With victories against Suitland and Flowers, the Lady Raiders will set themselves up for another regional championship game on Saturday, March 7.

### Boys Game

The boys downed Largo 58-51 with a familiar formula – defense. They held the D.C. area’s leading

scorer, Abdulai Bundu, to half his usual total for their second county title in three years. While Roosevelt enters the playoffs with a number one seed, their season began in flux after a season opening loss to DeMatha was followed by senior leader Larry McCan’s move to California.

However, coach Brendan O’Connell’s focus on team defense and discipline quickly unified a team that has dropped only one league game all winter. Roosevelt relies on the scoring of seniors Oladoyin Fadojutimi and Ishmail Jabbie, although the team bench is more likely to celebrate a strong defensive stand than a made bucket. Delascio Dancy and Naji Marshall have also assumed larger backcourt roles since McCan’s departure. With two wins the Raiders will place themselves back in the regional championship (also Saturday, March 7) as they look to return to the state tournament and add to a trophy case that includes the 2002 and 2013 state titles.

Both boys and girls playoff brackets can be found online at mpssaa.org.

*Patrick Gleason teaches English at Eleanor Roosevelt High School.*

# Insurers Are Fined For Student Plans

Four health insurance companies paid a combined \$280,000 in fines to the Maryland Insurance Administration (MIA) for selling unapproved health insurance plans to college students in Maryland.

Student health benefit plans are only available to be purchased through a college or university. Beginning January 1, 2014, all student health plans offered in Maryland were required to meet the same coverage and cost-sharing standards as all other individual health plans in Maryland. When the 2014-15 school year began and only one company had updated its filings, the MIA launched an investigation into all student health plans.

Over the past five weeks, consent orders were issued against Aetna Life Insurance Co., CareFirst of Maryland Inc., National Union Fire Insurance Co. of Pittsburgh and UnitedHealthcare Insurance Co. The final order was signed this week. Fines ranged from \$20,000 to \$140,000 depending on the number of colleges to which a company was selling plans.

Students who believe they were improperly denied coverage for a procedure or visit, or who believe they were overcharged, should contact the MIA at 1-800-492-6116.

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## Grief Support Group

Offered by the Mowatt Methodist Church  
in partnership with Community Hospice  
Wednesday evenings 6:30 – 8 p.m.  
March 18 -April 22

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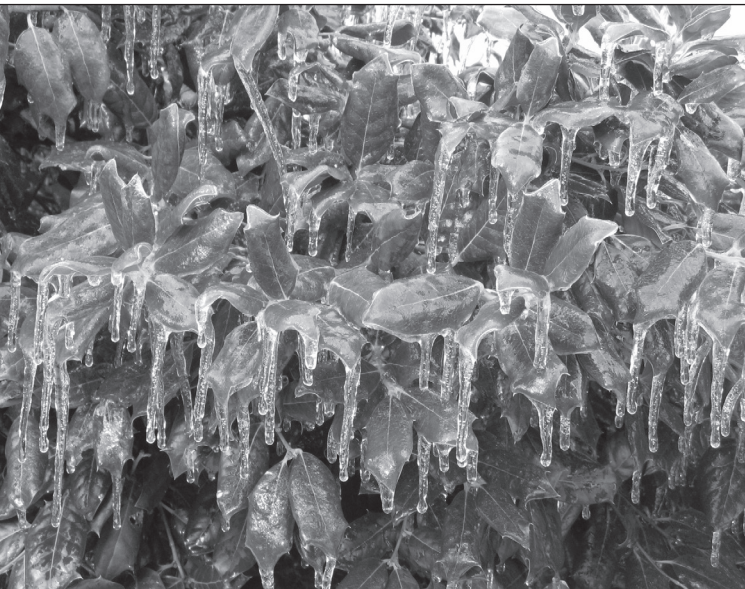
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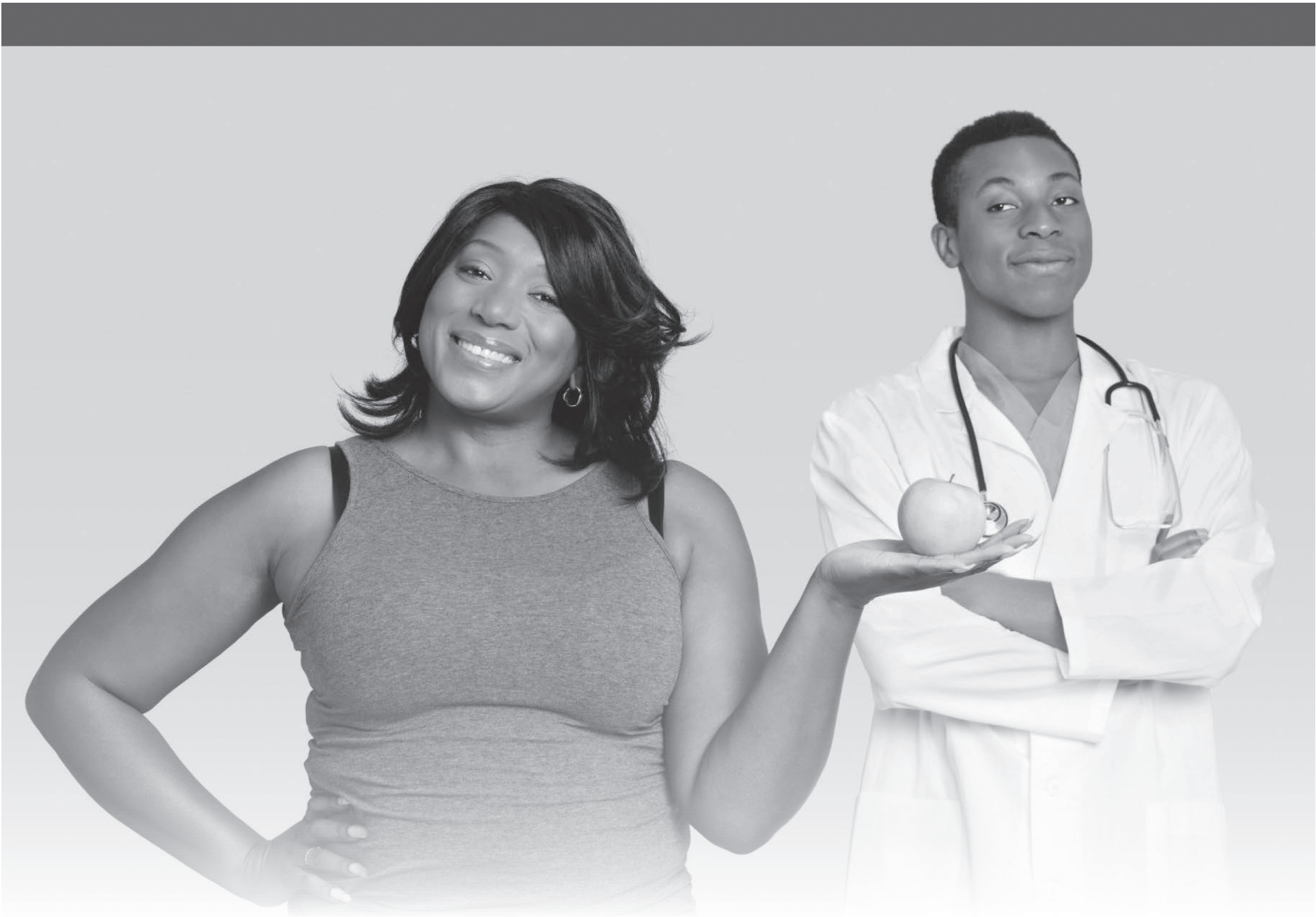
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